

The Brady Brief - Sunshine Week

Dear Friend,

During Sunshine Week, which focuses on the importance of open government and freedom of information, Congress is taking action to make the government more accountable, transparent and responsive to the American people. The public's right to know what its government is doing is fundamental to a thriving democracy and critical to empowering the American people to play an active role in their government.

For more detailed information about the various government reform and accountability measures this Congress has taken up, please visit<u>my website</u>. The following outlines just some of the improvements Congress has recently enacted to bring more transparency to its proceedings.

On Wednesday, March 17th, I proudly voted for the following government accountability and transparency measures

- Member's Allowances for Deficit Reduction (H.R. 4825) requiring amounts remaining in a Member's Representational Allowance to be used for deficit reduction
- Plain Language Act (H.R. 946) requiring federal agencies to use plain writing in government documents
- Electronic Message Preservation Act (HR 1387) establishing standards for preservation of White House emails

These three bills continue the New Direction Congress' mission to be more open and accessible, and they build on accountability measures already passed by the House of Representatives. In the past four years, Congress has strengthened government responsibility, and I have supported these efforts to do so. Please visit my website for information about these measures, or about any other issue currently facing this country.

Sincerely,

Robert Brady Member of Congress

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